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From: D/R

Subject: A Handbook of Basic Estimates of Production, Production Capacity, and Inventory of the Soviet Bloc

Origin: ~~AD/RR~~ OAD

Responsible Division: D/A

Responsible Branch: A/E

Responsible Analysts: [REDACTED]

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Statement of Project

Problem: To present a compilation of current ORR estimates of production, production capacity, and inventory for each country in the Soviet Bloc.

Scope: This project will present a compilation of current ORR estimates of (1) production for a pre World War II base year; early post war year-1950-1952; (2) production capacity for 1951 and for 1952; and (3) inventory for 1951. Such data will be presented for the USSR, Poland, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Communist China, Inner Mongolia, and North Korea. Total estimates for the Satellites and for the Bloc as a whole will be included. Where there are no ORR data, available ORE [REDACTED] estimates will be included. This will be the first phase of a more extensive and more complete handbook to be issued later.

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The estimates will include national accounts, population, basic commodities, services, and military end items.

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